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1. IN RESPONSE TO PARA 3 OF REFTTEL, THE FUEL RESTRICTION APPLIES TO ALL, REPEAT ALL, FOREIGN FLIGHTS, WHETHER SCHEDULED OR NON-SCHEDULED, OFFICIAL OR PRIVATE. ACTUAL FUEL AVAILABILITIES, HOWEVER, ARE VARIABLE. ON SOME DAYS AT SOME AIRPORTS THERE IS NO TROUBLE OBTAINING FUEL WHILE ON OTHER DAYS THERE IS SIMPLY NONE TO BE HAD.

2. OUR EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT USG OPERATIONS IN ECUADOR INVOLVING AIRCRAFT ARE BETTER ARRANGED THROUGH THE EMBASSY OR THE DAO HERE WHERE OUR CONTACTS CAN SMOOTH OUT THE PROCEDURAL PROBLEMS AND ALLOW US TO USE LEVERAGE TO TRY AND OBTAIN FUEL COMMITMENTS. IN CASES SUCH AS THIS WHERE THE USG AGENCY WISHES TO OBTAIN ITS OWN CLEARANCES, OUR ABILITY TO ASSIST IS VERY LIMITED. FOR INSTANCE, WE ARE NOT EVEN AWARE OF WHAT TOTAL FUEL NEEDS MIGHT BE (NUMBER OF FLIGHTS AND DISTANCE PER DAY, CONSUMPTION OF THE P2V, ETC.)

3. THE SPOTTY AVAILABILITY OF FUEL, HOWEVER, MEANS THAT WE COULD NOT GUARANTEE SUFFICIENT FUEL FOR THE NMFS
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OPERATION EVEN IF WE OBTAIN ORAL GUARANTEES FROM THE GOE. IF THE AIRCRAFT MUST OPERATE OUT OF ECUADOR, THEREFORE, IT MAY PROVE IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPLETE THE PROGRAM.

4. ALTHOUGH TIME IS GETTING SHORT, THE EMBASSY AND DAO WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ASSIST NMFS WITH CLEARANCES AND OTHER GOE FORMALITIES AND, AT THE SAME TIME, MAKE A

MAXIMUM EFFORT TO ASSURE THAT FUEL IN NECESSARY QUANTITIES
IS MADE AVAILABLE.
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